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Budgetary Allocation under NRDWP
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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the budgetary allocation under the National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) was reduced in the financial year, 2015-16;
(b) if so, the reasons therefor;
(c) whether the Government has increased the budgetary allocation under this programme for the financial year 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether the Union Government proposes to make additional budgetary allocation for payment of remaining dues of the State Government of Rajasthan under NRDWP;
(e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be allocated; and
(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)
(a) & (b) Yes Madam. As against allocation of Rs. 9250 crores (Revised Estimates) during financial year 2014-15, Rs. 4373 crores (RE) was allocated to this Ministry for National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) in the year 2015-16. The reduction in budgetary allocation for 2015-16 has happened due to enhanced devolution of funds to the States under the recommendation made by the 14th Finance Commission wherein the share of states in the net proceeds of the shareable Central taxes was increased from 32% to 42%.
(c) Yes Madam. The allocation under NRDWP for the financial year 2016-17 is Rs 6000 crore (RE).
(d) to (f) Funds under NRDWP are allocated amongst the States based on a pre-approved criteria as per guidelines in which rural population, rural SC / ST population, States under Desert Development Programme (DDP), Hill Area Development Programme (HADP) and special category Hill States in terms of rural areas and Rural population managing rural drinking water supply schemes weighted by a Management Devolution Index are taken into consideration. However, as per the guidelines of NRDWP and considering the conditions, Rajasthan is already getting the highest allocation amongst all the States. In the year 2016-17 (as on 10.03.2017) , Rs. 1063.56 crores has been released to the State Government of Rajasthan.